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# TRANSMITTAL LETTER FOR SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Transmitted herewith is a Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement, Form PTO-1449 and references cited therein, in the above-identified application. This Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is submitted more than three months from the application filing date and after the mailing date of the first Office Action on the merits, but before the mailing date of either a final action under 37 C.F.R. § 1.113, or a notice of allowance under 37 C.F.R. § 1.311. In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97, this Statement is accompanied by the fee as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p). Accordingly, a check in the amount of \$180.00 is enclosed.

The Director is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional fees required in connection with the accompanying Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 06-1075. A duplicate copy of this letter is transmitted herewith.

Respectfully submitted,

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### SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97, applicants make of record the following documents, copies of which are submitted herewith:

### **OTHER DOCUMENTS**

Marra et al., "The WashU-HHMI Mouse EST project. my18d09.rl Barstead mouse heart MPLRB3 Mus musculus cDNA clone 696209 (5')" EMBL DATABASE ENTRY MMAA221610, ACCESSION NO. AA221610, 15 February 1997, XP002049707.

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Nakaya et al., "Regulation of Asialoglycoprotein Receptor Synthesis by Inflammation-Related Cytokines in HepG2 Cells," *J. Gastroenterol.* 29:24-30 (1994).

For the Examiner's convenience, applicants have enclosed a completed Form PTO-1449, listing these documents.

Applicants respectfully request that the above-cited documents be (1) fully considered by the Examiner during the course of examination of this application and (2) printed on any patent issuing from this application. Applicants request that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449, duly initialed by the Examiner, be forwarded to the undersigned with the next official communication.

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